



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
 Tetsuya HAYASHI, et al. : Confirmation Number: 7605
 Application No.: 10/701,452 : Group Art Unit: 3682
 Filed: November 06, 2003 : Examiner: Lenard A. Footland
 For: THRUST ROLLER BEARING AND CAGE

STATUS INQUIRY

Mail Stop Status Inquiry
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on November 6, 2003. Since more than one and one-half years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before February 26, 2004 in the above assigned Group Art Unit should have received an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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